



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION

OF: MAAS et al. : CONFIRMATION NO.: 5442
SERIAL NO.: 09/937,815 : GROUP/ART UNIT: 1713
FILED: SEPTEMBER 28, 2001 : EXAMINER: C. CAIXA LU
FOR: OLIGOMERIZATION CATALYST

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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DECLARATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.131

Heiko Maas, Shahram Mihan, Randolph Köhn, Guido Seifert and Jürgen Tropsch declare that they are co-inventors of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in U.S. application Serial No. 09/937,815.

Declarants herewith state that the disclosure of the olefin trimerization with 1,3,5-triazacyclohexane complexes of chromium which took place at the 215th ACS Meeting in Dallas, March 29 to April 02, 1998, and which is summarized in the Book of Abstracts of said ACS Meeting, was made by co-inventor Randolph Köhn on his behalf and on behalf of his co-inventors.

Declarants further state that the co-authors of the disclosure at the 215th ACS Meeting in Dallas, M. Haufe and G. Kociok-Köhn, were merely working under co-inventor Randolph Köhn's direction.

The undersigned further declare that all statements made herein of their own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information or belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 101 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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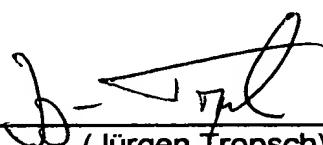
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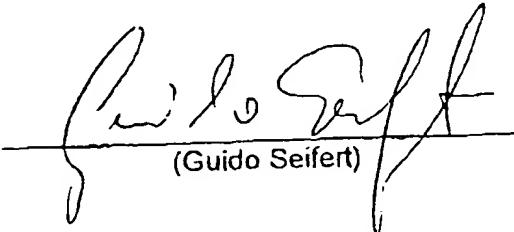
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